

Our Lady's PTA

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NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2017

WELCOME TO THE OUR LADY'S PTA NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the first edition of a new look PTA newsletter. We will issue the newsletter at least once a term to keep you up to date with all the fun events and fundraising activities we have on the horizon, and share with you just how your money, time and support is making a real difference to the children here at Our Lady's.

YOUR PTA COMMITTEE

Our Lady's PTA is dedicated to supporting each and every child at Our Lady's School.



This motley crew make up your PTA committee. Chair: **Anna Chapman-Apps**, Treasurer: **Erica Parker**, Secretary: **Nicky Rzeznik**. We are ably supported by amazing committee members. Feel free to have a chat with us about all things PTA at any time

HANDS UP IF YOU CAN HELP



We need your help now more than ever....

As you will all have seen, Our Lady's is set to see significant funding cuts. These cuts make us even more vulnerable as a small rural school. This is clearly a blow for the wonderful teachers who work so hard to provide a nurturing and caring learning environment but as a PTA, we are poised ready to help where we can.

Our fund raising efforts depend entirely on friends of Our Lady's volunteering throughout the year and at times it has been tough to run events effectively due to a lack of volunteers. We know you are all busy so we hope with some better planning on our part you may be able to support this year. **Thanks to everyone for your enthusiasm and suggestions so far.**



FUNDRAISING UPDATE

As a PTA we are committed to ensuring you know just what happens to your money and how much our events raise in support of the school.

It has been a little while since a PTA newsletter has been issued so here is an update on the funds raised since the beginning of term.

Quiz Night	£122
Christmas Fayre	£978
Valentines Biscuit Sale	£78
TOTAL	£1178

Thank you to everyone who has contributed, manned stalls, donated time, money, skills or just moral support – it's all appreciated!

WHERE IS YOUR MONEY BEING SPENT?

The PTA had some ambitious plans for this year regards upgrading the outside space and play equipment, however, in light of the funding cuts we are re-evaluating our priorities for this year to ensure we use PTA funds in the most appropriate way. We are however pressing on with plans to fund: **sports kits** to ensure our children represent the school in style.



KEEPING YOUR CHILDREN SAFE

The PTA has also agreed to fund **high visibility vests** for children to wear whilst moving between school and Princethorpe College and on school trips.

YEAR 6 LEAVERS

Following a vote by year 6 leavers, the PTA will once again be providing **leaving hoodies** for those saying goodbye to Our Lady's.



EASTER IS ON ITS WAY

Easter is always a special time of year at Our Lady's. The Easter bonnet parade is easily one of the highlights in the school year. For new parents, it's not to be missed, we promise you will leave uplifted and with belly ache from laughing! See reverse for more details.

BUNNY BUSINESS

These two cheeky bunnies will be hopping around school next week hoping the children can correctly guess their names and take them home! It's 50p a go and James Byrne and Grace Isaacs are looking after them while in school – Thanks to them for helping!



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EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA FRIDAY 7th APRIL

The now legendary Easter bonnet parade will start at 1.30pm in the school hall.

The event is supported by the PTA who will provide prizes to every child who takes part whether they win or not. Bonnets not your thing? Never fear as there are other ways to get involved!

Prizes are awarded to children in a variety of fun filled activities on the day! These include:

Easter Bonnet



Decorated Egg



Easter Garden



PRAYER BOOKS

At Easter the PTA will be presenting every child in the school with a specially designed prayer book. The book features a host of beautiful and meaningful prayers, some of which the children recite during their school day. Others have been selected by Mrs Madia, Father Teddy and the PTA. Thank you so much to Chrissy and Pete Waters for helping bring this project to life!



PTA EVENTS

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

31st March School Disco 6-8pm

7th April Easter bonnet parade

W/C 24th April Sponsored walk in school

5th May Family Bingo Night 7-9pm

13th May DIY SOS & Big Breakfast

24th June Summer Fete from 1.30pm

12th July Sports day / family picnic

14th July School disco 6-8pm and leavers BBQ 8-10pm

If you are willing to volunteer to help at any of the above events please email us or catch us at the school gate! THANKYOU

PTA MEETINGS

Friday 28th April at 1.30pm
School staff room

Thursday 18th May at 7pm
Malt Shovel pub, Bubbenhall

Friday 9th June at 1.30pm
School staff room

Thursday 15th June at 7pm
Malt Shovel pub, Bubbenhall

Thursday 22nd June at 1.30pm
School staff room

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